

CHEBOYGAN AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA  
Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Call to order and Attendance Action

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Approval of Minutes Action

Financial report, including payment of bills Action

Director's Report:

Summer Reading 2026 Report

Staff updates Report

Professional Development Report

New Business:

FY2027 Budget Report

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Adjournment

CHEBOYGAN AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

100 S. Bailey Street, Cheboygan, MI 49721

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Held in the Cheboygan Area Public Library

Meeting Minutes: Thursday, April 9, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Dan Welihan called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Board members present: Don Gezon, Kay Forster, Mary Ellen Enos, Jeanette Mateer and Nadene Delana (via phone).

Absent: Bruce Gauthier

Also present Library Director Brice Bush.

**Approval of Minutes:** Don Gezon made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 12, 2026 regular meeting as presented. Mary Ellen Enos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, Delana abstained from voting.

**Financial Report, Including Payment of Bills:** Kay Forster reported on the financials. Mary Ellen Enos made a motion to accept the financial report as presented and Jeanette Mateer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, Delana abstained from voting.

**Director's Report:**

The Also Leopold community read took place on March 8 with 50 people attending. Thank you notes went out to all participating readers and a report was sent to the Aldo Leopold Foundation about the program. Snakes Alive visited the library on March 23 for an exhibit style experience that over 170 people attended. Spring Break activities were well received as follows:

Monday 3/30 Paint a Mushroom - 30 kids/18 adults

Tuesday 3/31 Bug Craft - 13 kids/7 adults

Wednesday 4/1 "A Bug's Life" movie - 10 kids/9 adults

Thursday 4/2 Lego Paint - 20 kids/10 adults

The library building will turn 20 years old on August 26, 2026 and we are planning a celebration for the community. We will welcome the community for an ice cream social with live music at 6 p.m. on that day. More information to come as plans progress.

The Fire Alarm and Suppression system inspections went well. Everything is in working order. There are two routine maintenance items scheduled for April and May and then we will be set for another year.

Maureen Stine attended the Michigan Library Association's Spring Institute conference held in Grand Rapids in mid March. Brice presented the report Maureen wrote about her experience and reported that Maureen applied for (and was awarded) a reimbursement grant from the Library of Michigan for the cost of attendance. Maureen's report was submitted to the Library of Michigan as part of the grant requirement. The MLA Spring Institute is an annual conference designed for Children's and Teen Services staff.

Brice attended the Public Library Association's (PLA) biannual conference in Minneapolis. The opening key note speaker was Bryan Stevenson, Executive Director of the Equal Justice Initiative and author of the book "Just Mercy." There were more than 6,000 librarians and library staff from around the country at the PLA conference. Brice attended sessions related to advocacy, funding, trends in library services, and networking.

**New Business:**

Brice reported on a variety of technology upgrades coming to the library over the next calendar year. The AWE computers in the Children's area are due for replacement. The catalog computer in the adult area needs to be replaced with a modern screen. Brice met with Northwoods Digital to explore the possibilities of a new website build.

**Committee Reports****Public Comment**

**Adjournment:** Kay Forster made a motion to adjourn at 9:42 a.m. Jeanette Mateer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, Delana abstained from voting. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brice Bush